Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method of displaying trading trends for an investment comprising the steps of:

receiving ~~an~~ two or more opening value_s_ and [[a]] closing value_s_ for the investment ~~for two or more~~ wherein the opening value comprises a value of the investment at a beginning of a time interval[[s]] and the closing value comprises the value of the investment at an end of the time interval;

calculating an opening value trend for the time interval using a market trend indicator and the opening values for the investment;

calculating a closing value trend for the time interval using the market trend indicator and the closing values for the investment; and

displaying a visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for the time interval based on a comparison of the opening value trend for the time interval to the closing value trend for the time interval for the investment, wherein the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for the time interval is a first color whenever the closing value trend for the time interval is greater than the opening value trend for the time interval and the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for the time interval is a second color whenever the closing value trend for the time interval is lower than the opening value trend for the time interval.

Claim 2 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the opening value is an opening price and the closing value is a closing price.

Claim 3 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the opening value is an opening trading volume and the closing value is a closing volume.

Claim 4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the first color is green.

Claim 6 (canceled)

Claim 7 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the second color is red.

Claim 8 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator displays the time interval.

Claim 9 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the step of displaying the opening value trend as a first line and the closing value trend as a second line in a graph.

Claim 10 (original): The method as recited in claim 9 further comprising the step of displaying a list of information about a point selected on either the first line or the second line.

Claim 11 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the market trend indicator comprises one or more regression algorithms selected from: stochastics, relative strength, directional movement, commodity channel, simple average, exponential average weighted average, MACD (simple), MACD (exponential), momentum/ROC, midrange, William's %R, parabolic stop, volatility stop, trailing stop, high low stop, Bollinger

Bands, Keltner Channel, uniform channel, regression channel, swing lines, cycle forecast, on balance volume, overlay chart, point & figure, moving average, moving linear regression, upper envelope, lower envelope, %K, %D, %D slow, %D averaged, %R, RSI, momentum, acceleration, moving average oscillator, moving average momentum, moving average convergence-divergence oscillator, moving average convergence-divergence, MACD signal line, commodity channel index, rate of change in prices, on balance volume variance, standard deviation, volatility ratio, volatility, skew, kurtosis, Williams Accumulated Distribution, Arm's Ease of Movement, plus directional indicator, minus directional indicator, directional movement and average directional movement.

Claim 12 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the opening value trend is calculated without using the opening value from the most recent time interval.

Claim 13 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the steps of:
>selecting a market information source;
>communicably connecting to the market information source; and
>selecting the investment.

Claim 14 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the step of executing a trade involving the investment.

Claim 15 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the step of simulating an execution of a trade involving the investment.

Claim 16 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the step of calculating a potential tax liability for an execution of a trade involving the investment.

Claim 17 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the step of searching for one or more investment trading opportunities based on one or more search criteria.

Claim 18 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the step of selecting the time interval.

Claim 19 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the time interval is a preset time based on a user profile.

Claim 20 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the step of repeating the steps of receiving the opening value and the closing value, calculating the opening value trend and the closing value trend, and displaying the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for a set of different time intervals.

Claim 21 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 20 wherein the set of different time intervals comprises fifteen minutes, thirty minutes, one hour, ninety minutes and two hours.

Claim 22 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 20 wherein the set of different time intervals comprises one day, one week and one month.

Claim 23 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the step of repeating the steps of receiving the opening value and the closing value, calculating the opening value trend and the closing value trend, and displaying the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for two or more investments.

Claim 24 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising the step of updating the opening values, the closing values, the opening value trend, the closing value trend and the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator.

Claim 25 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 24 further comprising the step of signaling a user whenever the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator changes.

Claim 26 (currently amended): A computer program embodied in a computer readable medium for displaying trading trends for an investment:

a code segment for receiving ~~an~~ two or more opening value~~s~~ and [[a]] closing value~~s~~ for the investment ~~for two or more~~ wherein the opening value comprises a value of the investment at a beginning of a time interval[[s]] and the closing value comprises the value of the investment at an end of the time interval;

a code segment for calculating an opening value trend for the time interval using a market trend indicator and the opening values for the investment;

a code segment for calculating a closing value trend for the time interval using the market trend indicator and the closing values for the investment; and

a code segment for displaying a visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for the time interval based on a comparison of the opening value trend for the time interval to the closing value trend for the time interval for the investment, wherein the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for the time interval is a first color whenever the closing value trend for the time interval is greater than the opening value trend for the time interval and the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for the time interval is a second color whenever the closing value trend for the time interval is lower than the opening value trend for the time interval.

Claim 27 (original): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising a code segment for displaying the opening value trend as a first line and the closing value trend as a second line in a graph.

Claim 28 (original): The computer program as recited in claim 27 further comprising a code segment for displaying a list of information about a point selected on either the first line or the second line.

Claim 29 (original): The computer program as recited in claim 26 wherein the market trend indicator comprises one or more regression algorithms selected from: stochastics, relative strength, directional movement, commodity channel, simple average, exponential average weighted average, MACD (simple), MACD (exponential), momentum/ROC, midrange, William's %R, parabolic stop, volatility stop, trailing stop, high low stop, Bollinger Bands, Keltner Channel, uniform channel, regression channel, swing lines, cycle forecast, on balance volume, overlay chart, point & figure, moving average, moving linear regression, upper envelope, lower envelope, %K, %D, %D slow, %D averaged, %R, RSI, momentum, acceleration, moving average oscillator, moving average momentum, moving average convergence-divergence oscillator, moving average convergence-divergence, MACD signal line, commodity channel index, rate of change in prices, on balance volume variance, standard deviation, volatility ratio, volatility, skew, kurtosis, Williams Accumulated Distribution, Arm's Ease of Movement, plus directional indicator, minus directional indicator, directional movement and average directional movement.

Claim 30 (original): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising:

      a code segment for selecting a market information source;

      a code segment for communicably connecting to the market information source; and

      a code segment for selecting the investment.

Claim 31 (original): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising a code segment for executing a trade involving the investment.

Claim 32 (original): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising a code segment for simulating an execution of a trade involving the investment.

Claim 33 (original): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising a code segment for calculating a potential tax liability for an execution of a trade involving the investment.

Claim 34 (original): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising a code segment for searching for one or more investment trading opportunities based on one or more search criteria.

Claim 35 (original): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising a code segment for selecting the time interval.

Claim 36 (previously presented): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising a code segment for repeating the steps of receiving the opening value and the closing value, calculating the opening value trend and the closing value trend, and displaying the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for a set of different time intervals.

Claim 37 (previously presented): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising a code segment for repeating the steps of receiving the opening value and the closing value, calculating the opening value trend and the closing value trend, and displaying the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for two or more investments.

Claim 38 (previously presented): The computer program as recited in claim 26 further comprising a code segment for updating the opening values, the closing values, the opening value trend, the closing value trend and the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator.

Claim 39 (previously presented): The computer program as recited in claim 38 further comprising a code segment for signaling a user whenever the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator changes.

Claim 40 (currently amended): An apparatus for displaying trading trends for an investment comprising:

      a computer communicably connected to a market information source;

      a display communicably connected to the computer; and

      the receiving ~~an~~ two or more opening value__s__ and [[a]] closing value__s__ for the investment from the market information source ~~for two or more~~ wherein the opening value comprises a value of the investment at a beginning of a time interval[[s]] and the closing value comprises the value of the investment at an end of the time interval, calculating an opening value trend for the time interval using a market trend indicator and the opening values for the investment, calculating a closing value trend for the time interval using the market trend indicator and the closing values for the investment, and displaying a visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for the time interval based on a comparison of the opening value trend for the time interval to the closing value trend for the time interval for the investment on the display, wherein the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for the time interval is a first color whenever the closing value trend for the time interval is greater than the opening value trend for the time interval and the visual favorable/unfavorable trade indicator for the time interval is a second color whenever the closing value trend for the time interval is lower than the opening value trend for the time interval.